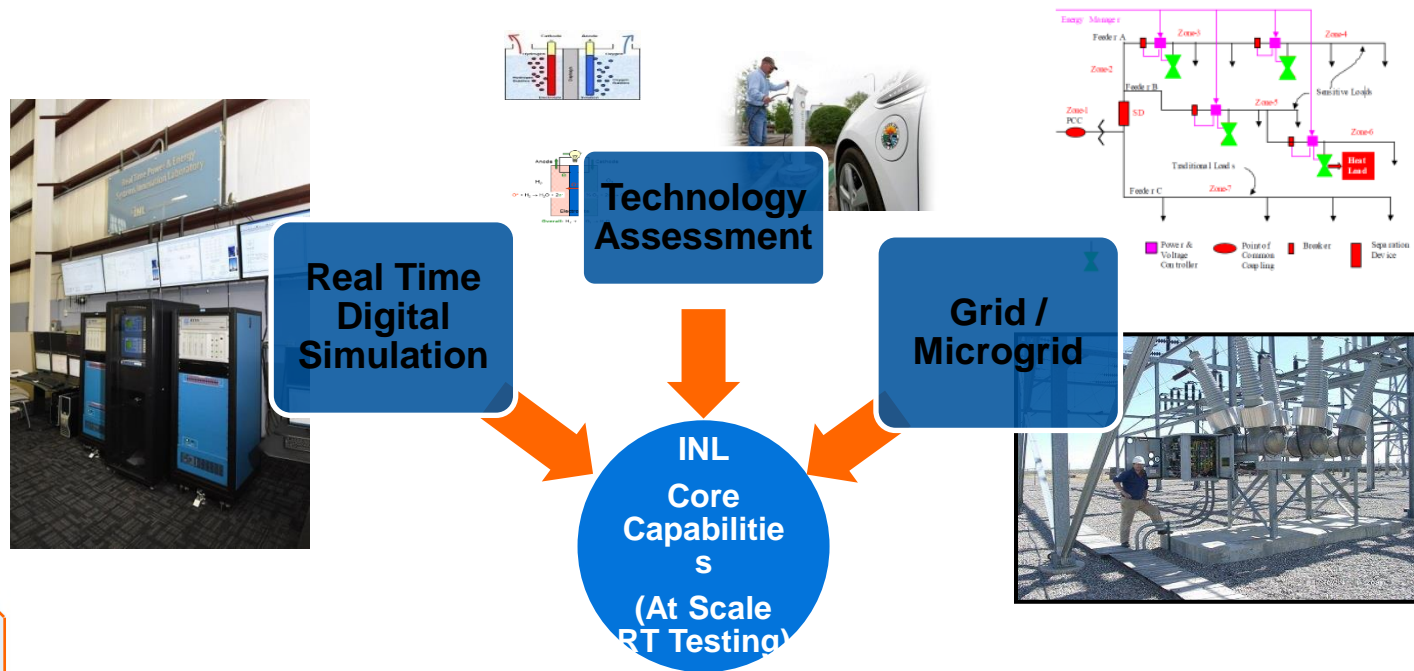


# Real Time Power & Energy Laboratory



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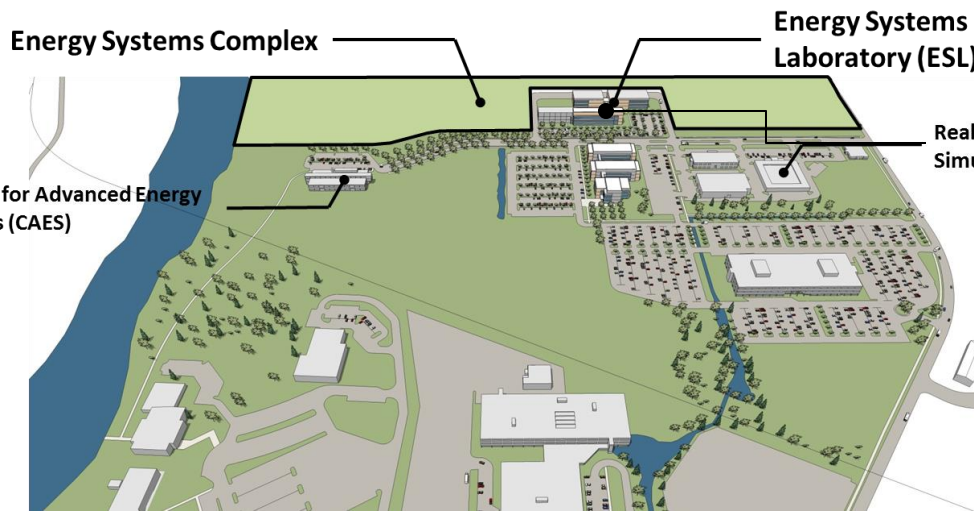
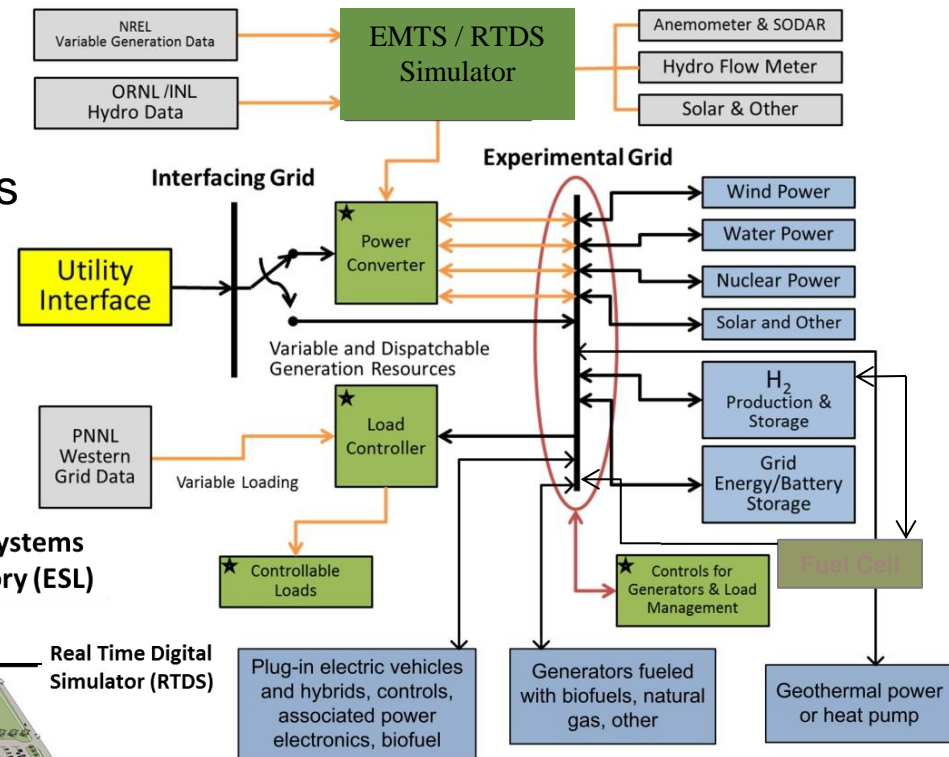




# INL Energy Systems Laboratory's Demonstration Complex and Test Bed

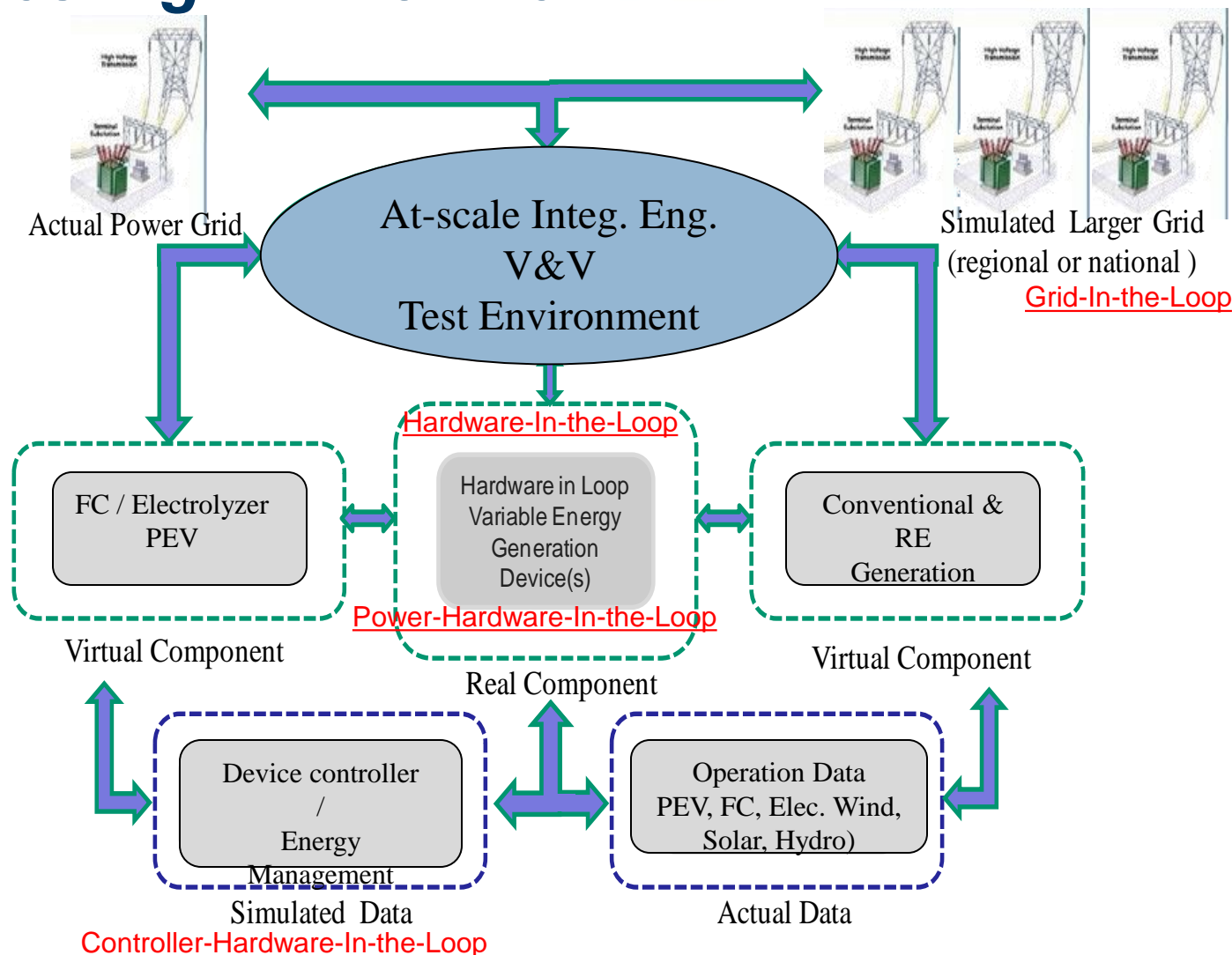
- For the renewable technologies
  - Modeling, simulation, and hardware-in-the-loop capabilities for demonstrations and dynamic analysis
    - Energy farms
    - Integration with HES
    - Control and integration strategies
    - Coupling with energy storage

## Energy Systems Complex - First Year Concept





# Real-Time Hardware-In-the-Loop Modeling and Testing Environment





# INL Energy Systems Integration Group

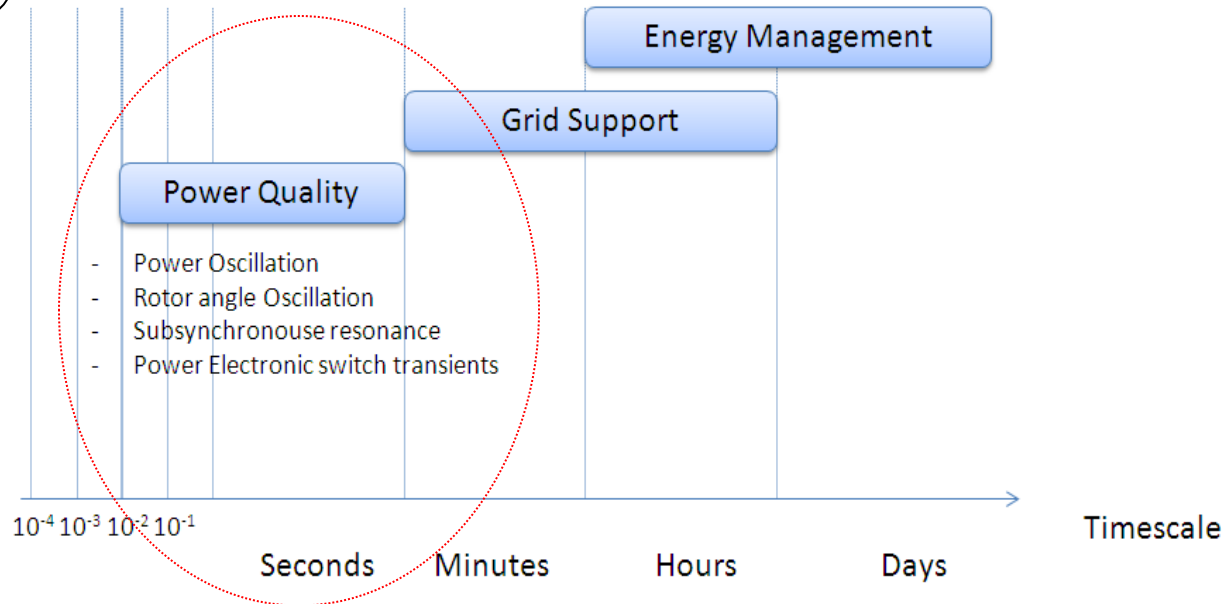
## Differentiating Competence

Dynamic and transient behavior of energy systems interaction under various transient phenomena

From Grid Tech Planning Meeting:  
Problem - Insufficient capabilities to

**Predict transients**  
**(microseconds – seconds)**

- High-fidelity power and Energy system interaction
- Understand and predict the transient behavior of energy systems at 50  $\mu$ s (2  $\mu$ s non real time) time steps
- Establish Hardware-In-the-Loop (HIL), Controller-In-the-Loop and Grid-In-the-Loop testing environments with real world field measurements.



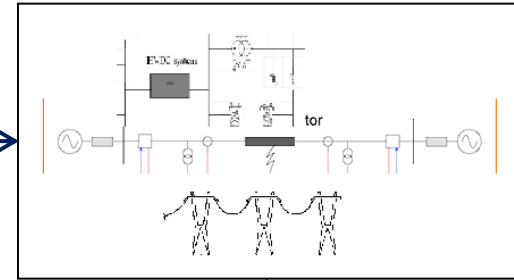


# Integrated Grid Environment - Electrical / Mechanical / Thermal Co-Simulation

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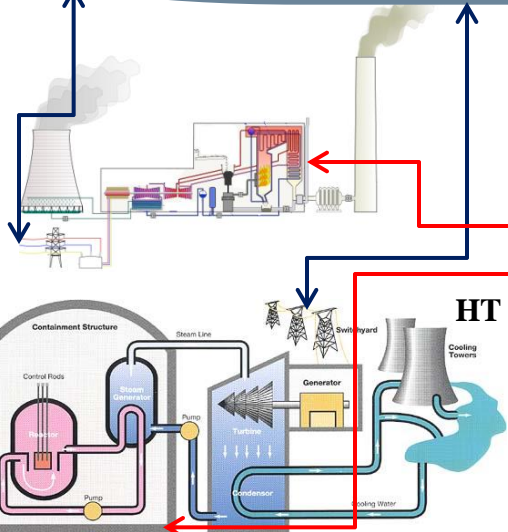


RTDS/INL

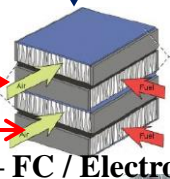


Power System Models

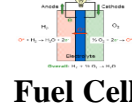
finite state machine



HT - FC / Electrolyzer



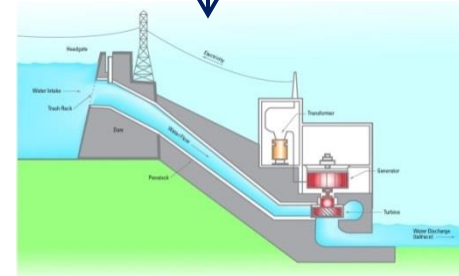
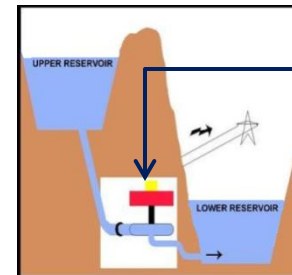
Electrolyzer



Fuel Cell



V2G



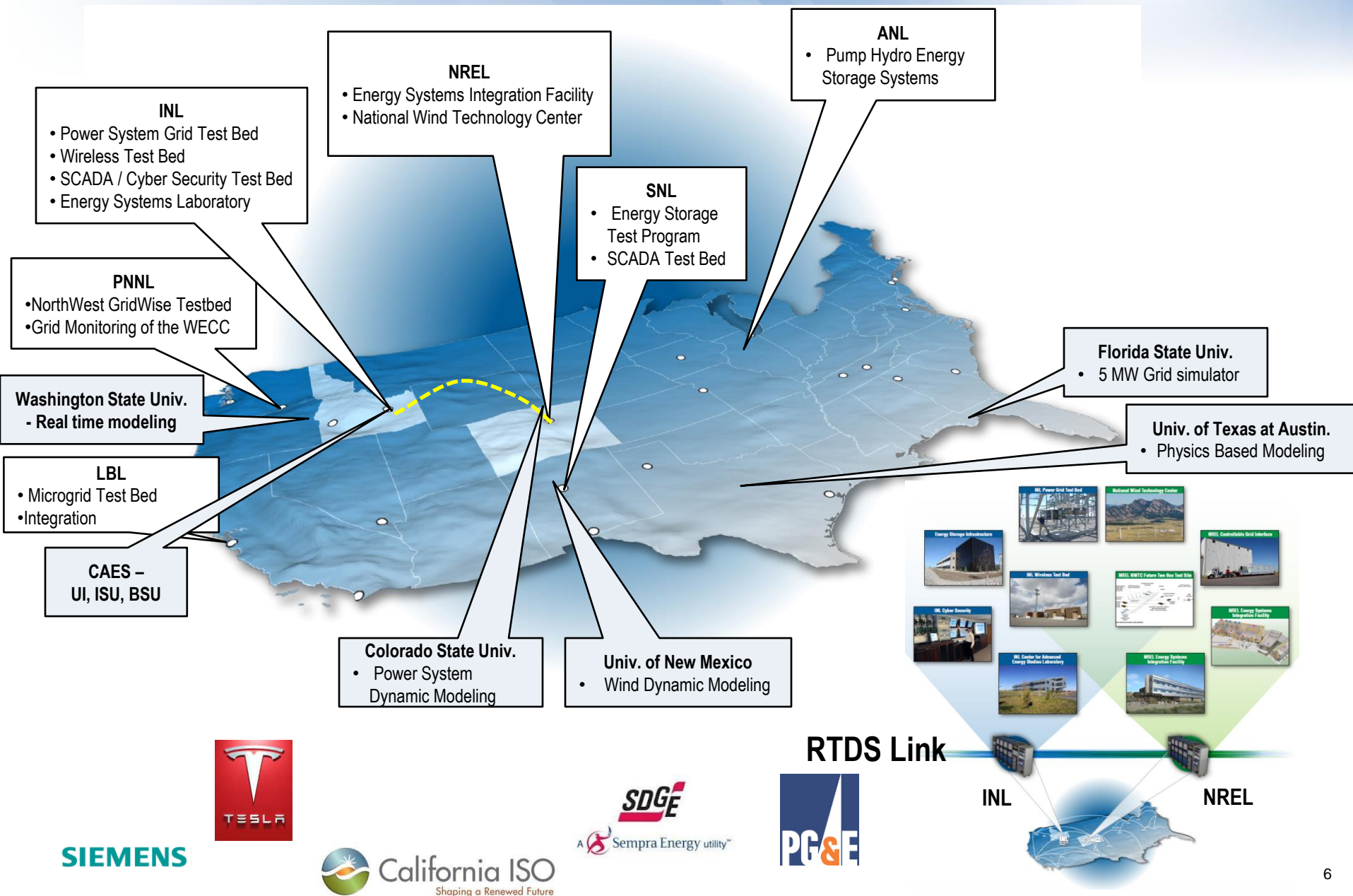
Hydropower Plant Models

Thermal Power Plant Models

Energy Storage Models



# Leveraging Other National Labs and Academic Institutes Via Strategic Partnerships



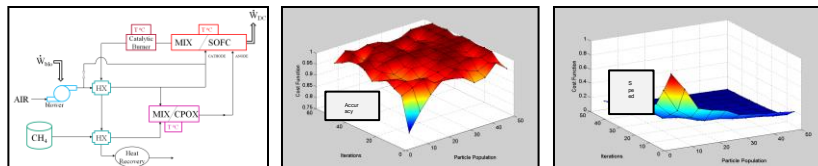
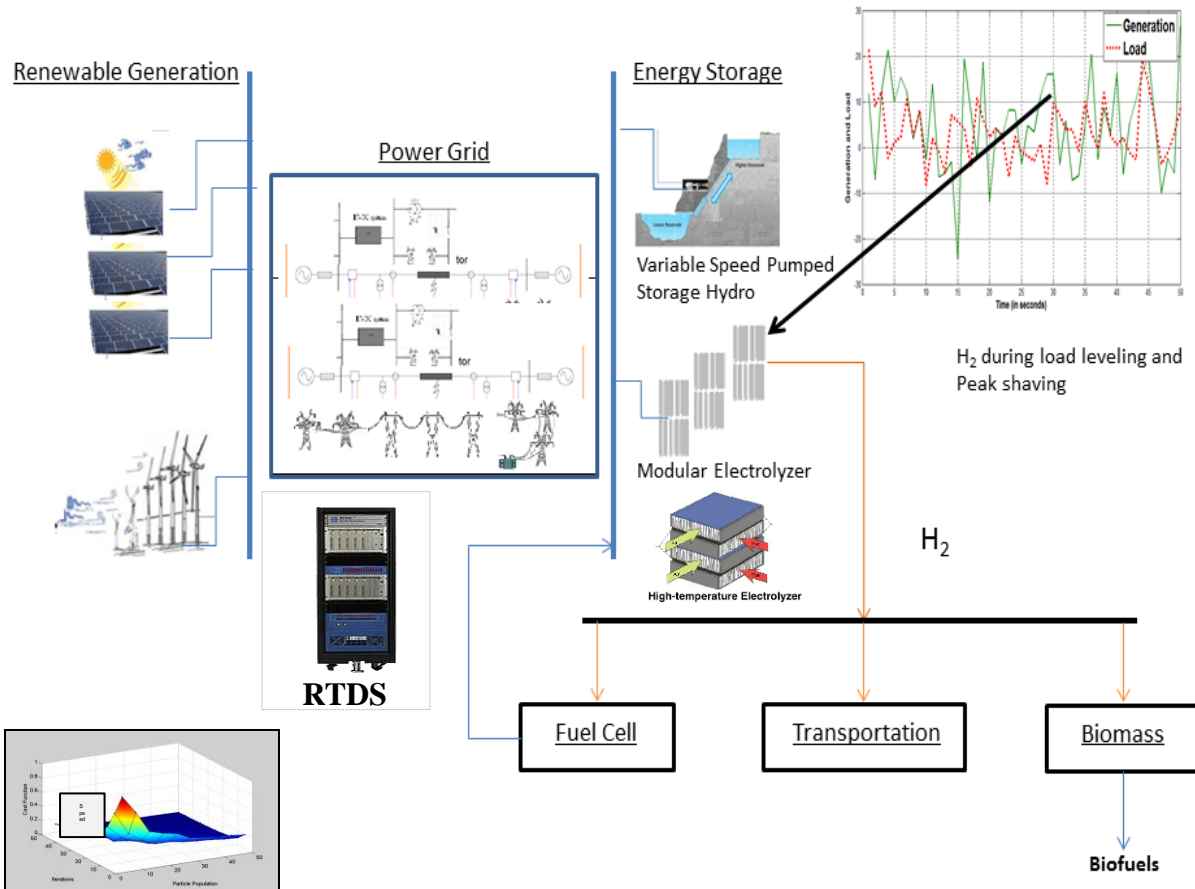


# ***Projects***



# Dynamic Modeling and Validation of Fuel Cell/Electrolyzers in a Real Time Environment

- Holistic system perspective
- Real time characterized and validated models
- Technical performance and value proposition for grid-scale deployment
  - Microgrid (CERTS/NREL/INL)
  - Distribution & Transmission

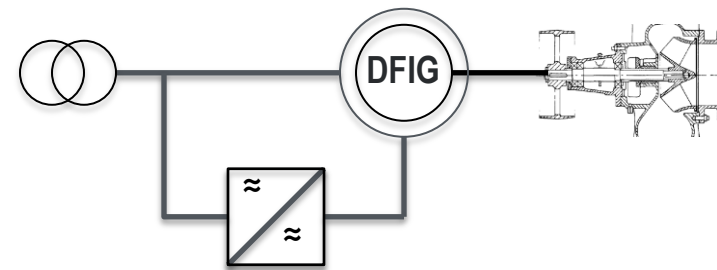


**Objective:** Leveraging DoE Lab assets located across wide geographical distances to study the impact of fuel cell / electrolyzers on grid distribution systems



# Pumped Storage Hydropower (PSH) Transient Simulation Modeling

- Develop transient PSCAD models in small time steps (5 -50  $\mu$ s) to better understand the dynamic interactions between electromagnetics and hydrodynamics.
- Study the hydrodynamic behaviors such as water hammering and flywheel effects due to sudden load and fault conditions.
- Conduct System level testing and analysis on the Real Time Digital Simulator
- Provide a greater understanding of variable renewable interactions and the value of energy storage.



Co-simulation of the Electromagnetic  
& hydrodynamic Transients



# Dynamic CERTS Microgrid Test-Bed on RTDS

## The U.S. Department of Energy's Microgrid Initiative

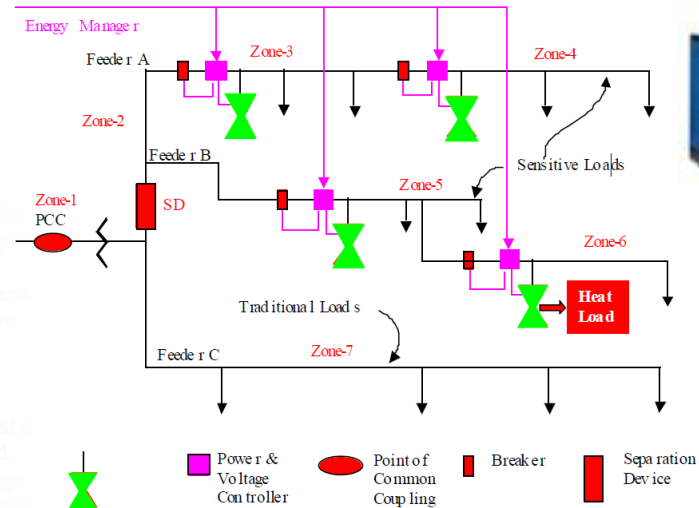
The DOE Smart Grid R&D Program considers microgrids as a key building block for a Smart Grid and has established microgrid R&D as a key focus area. A significant number of R&D needs and challenges have been identified for microgrids during two workshops, with input from more than 170 experts and practitioners representing a broad group of stakeholders.

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thereby deferring generation and distribution investment, and to increase the reliability of the grid by adding elements that make it more stable and reconfigurable. Other potential benefits include addressing vulnerabilities in critical infrastructure, managing peak loads, lowering emissions, using fuel resources more efficiently, and helping customers manage energy costs. These RDSI efforts are progressing toward a goal of at least 15

Idaho National Laboratory (INL) is teaming with American Electric Power (AEP), the University of Wisconsin, and Sandia National Laboratories (SNL) to apply Consortium for Electric Reliability Technology Solutions (CERTS) microgrid concepts in AEP's Dolan Technology Center-Walnut Station Test Facility in Groveport, Ohio. CERTS microgrid concepts are also being applied in field demonstrations by the Sacramento Municipal Utility District, Chevron Energy

approaches for implementing high reliability microgrids and assist in planning for and analysis of potential risks in future military and commercial projects. To date, 14 military bases have received assessments and/or conceptual designs using the Sandia ESM methodology. In addition, Sandia has developed a set of valuable lessons learned that combined with their design methodology provide a blueprint for future ESM microgrid implementation. Both



➤ Loads & Distribution System data for CERTS Microgrid is not available

## ➤ Key Points

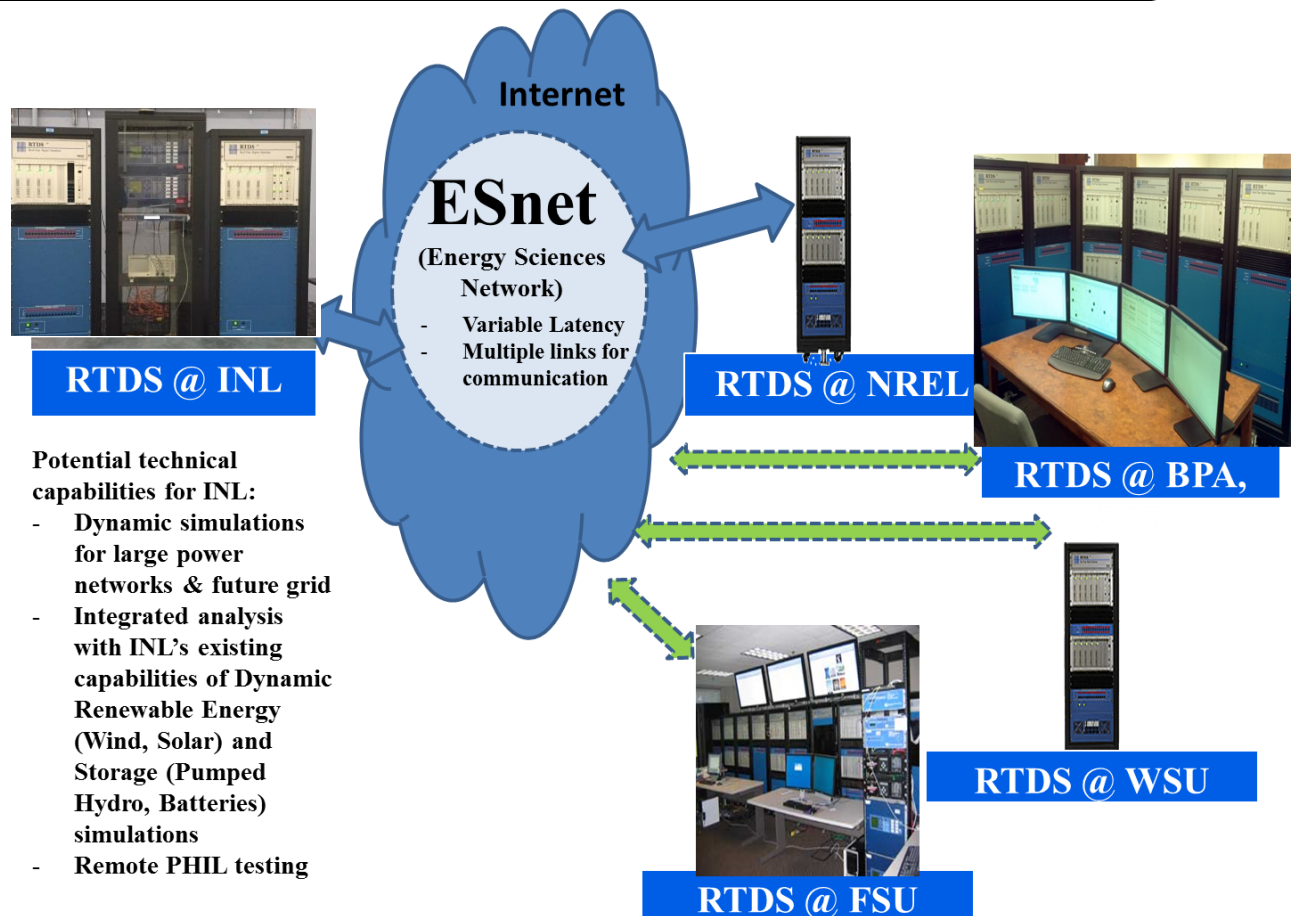
- Point of Common Coupling (PCC) - Transition from Grid-Connected to Islanded Mode & vice-versa
- Higher reliability for Critical/Sensitive Loads
- Distributed Renewable Generation
- IEEE Interconnection, Power Quality & IEC Communication standards



# Dynamic Simulations for Large Scale Electric Power Networks in Real Time Environment using Multiple Real Time Digital Simulators

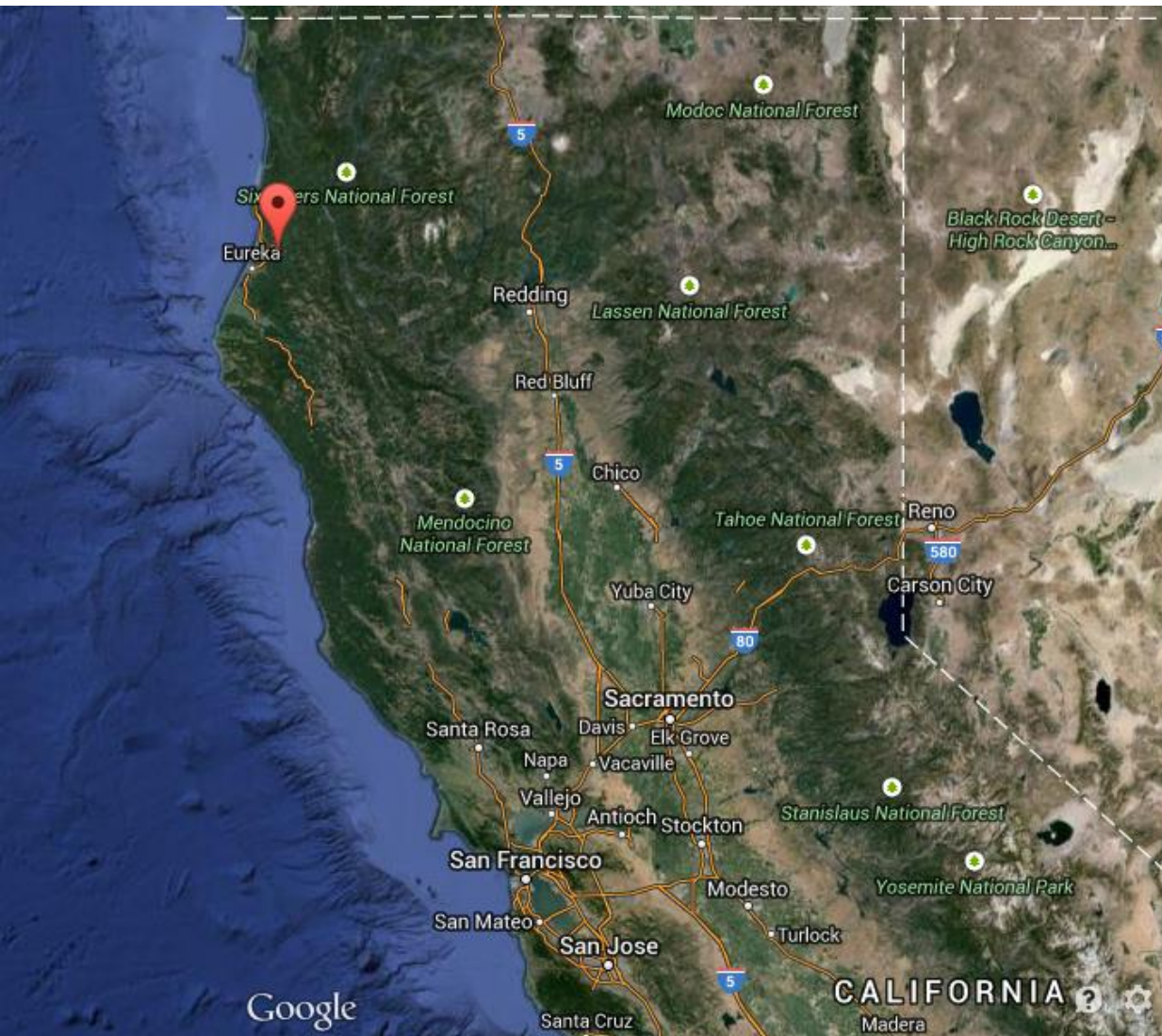
With broad array of stakeholders, **academic** institutions, **utility** companies, and National Labs

- To develop simulation methods and demonstrate capabilities of large scale dynamic simulations using multiple geographically distributed real time digital simulators
- Ability to analyze events such as voltage collapse and power swings for large networks that can lead to a blackout





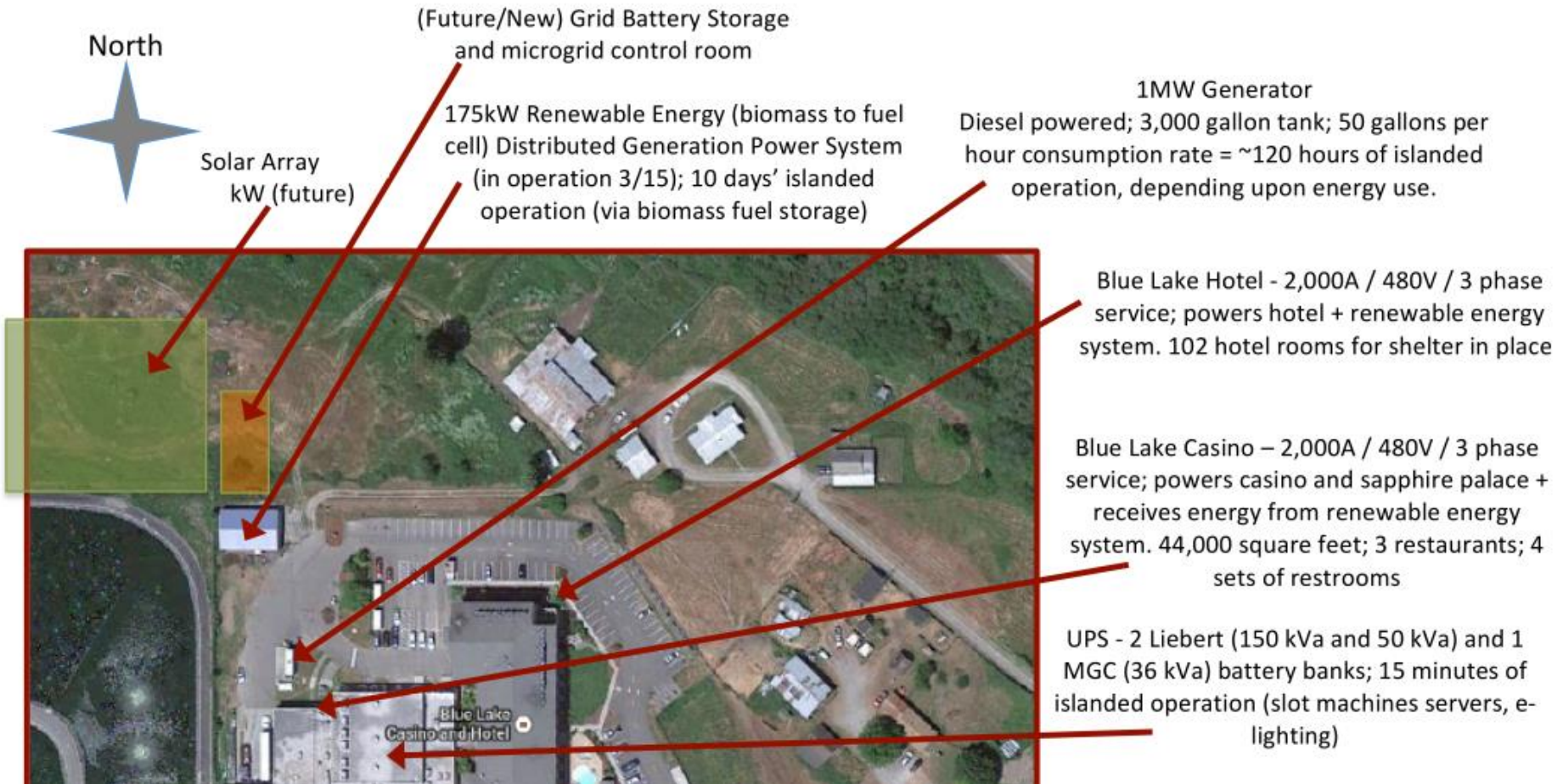
# INL Current Utility Storage Projects



- Funded by California Energy Commission's Electric Program Investment Charge
- PON-14-301
- **Program Goal:** Demonstration of Low Carbon-Based Microgrids for Critical Facilities
- Partners – INL, Siemens, Tesla (Utility scale Storage) Humboldt University, PG&E



# California Energy Commissioner – Project Future & Existing Energy Infrastructure





# CEC- Project Future & Existing Energy Infrastructure



UPS - 2 Liebert (150 kVa and 50 kVa) and 1 MGC (36 kVa) battery banks; 15 minutes of islanded operation (slot machines servers, e-lighting)

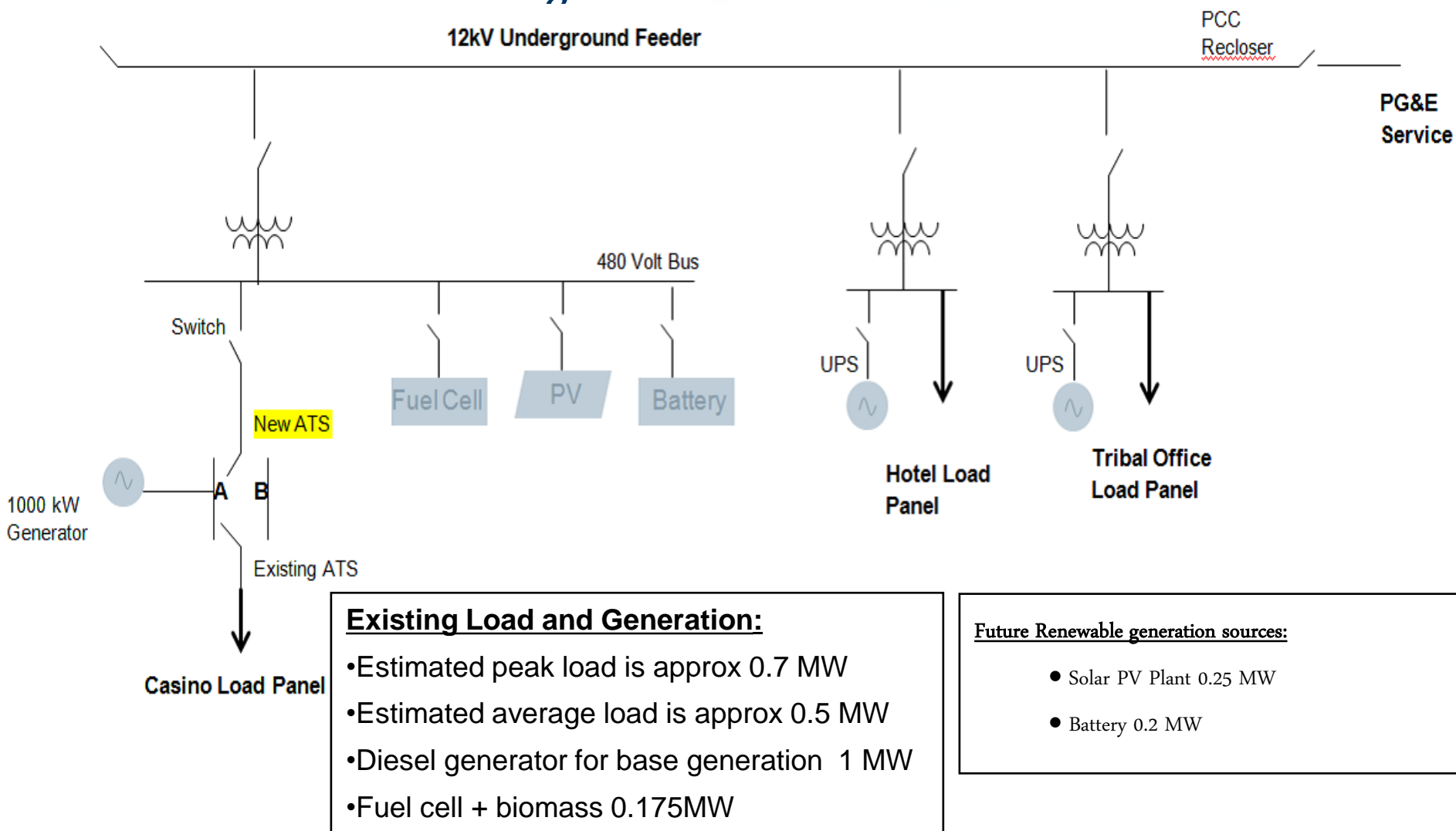
Sapphire Palace – receives energy from casino service. 800-person capacity; 1 set of restrooms; available shelter in place and/or medical facility.

Tribal Office – Separate meter. Kitchen facilities, 1 set of restrooms (septic system)

80kW Generator for Tribal Office; ~24 hours of islanded operation



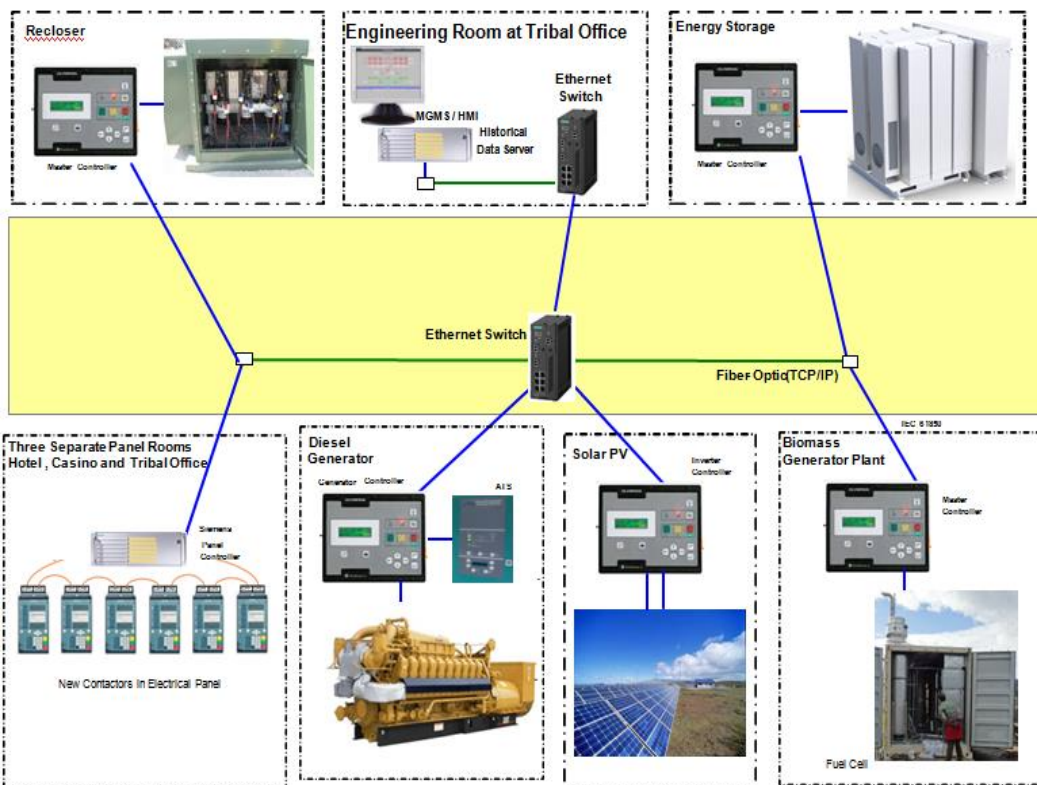
# *One-Line Diagram of 12kV Line Joining Service Transformers at the Casino, Hotel and Admin Office Bldg*





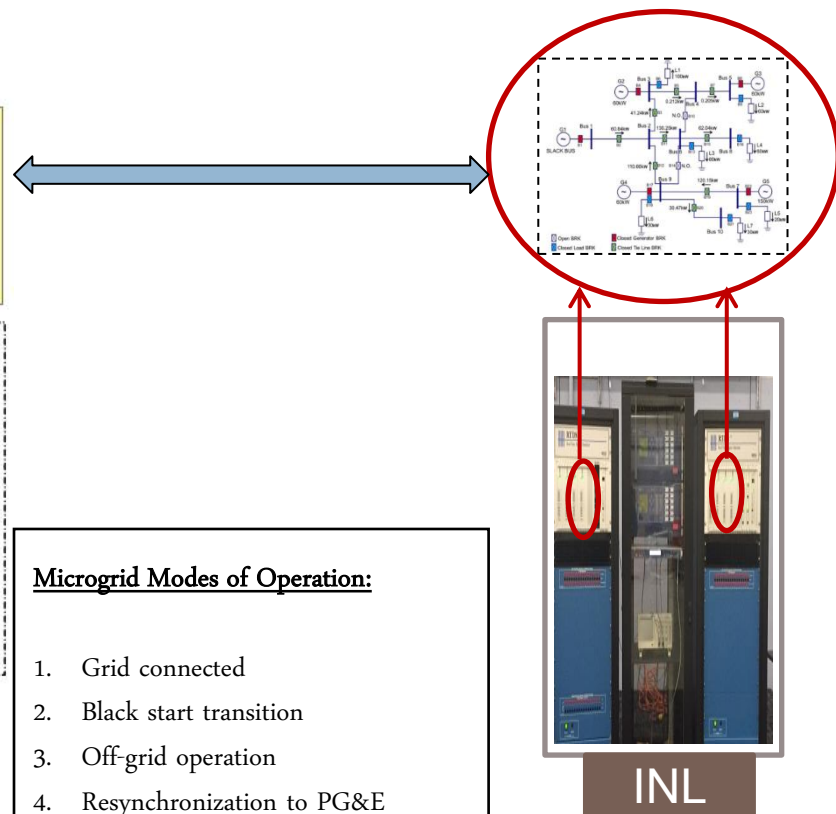
# CEC- Project Architecture

## Blue Lake Rancheria



Blue Lake Rancheria , CA

## PG&E Power System Network



### Microgrid Modes of Operation:

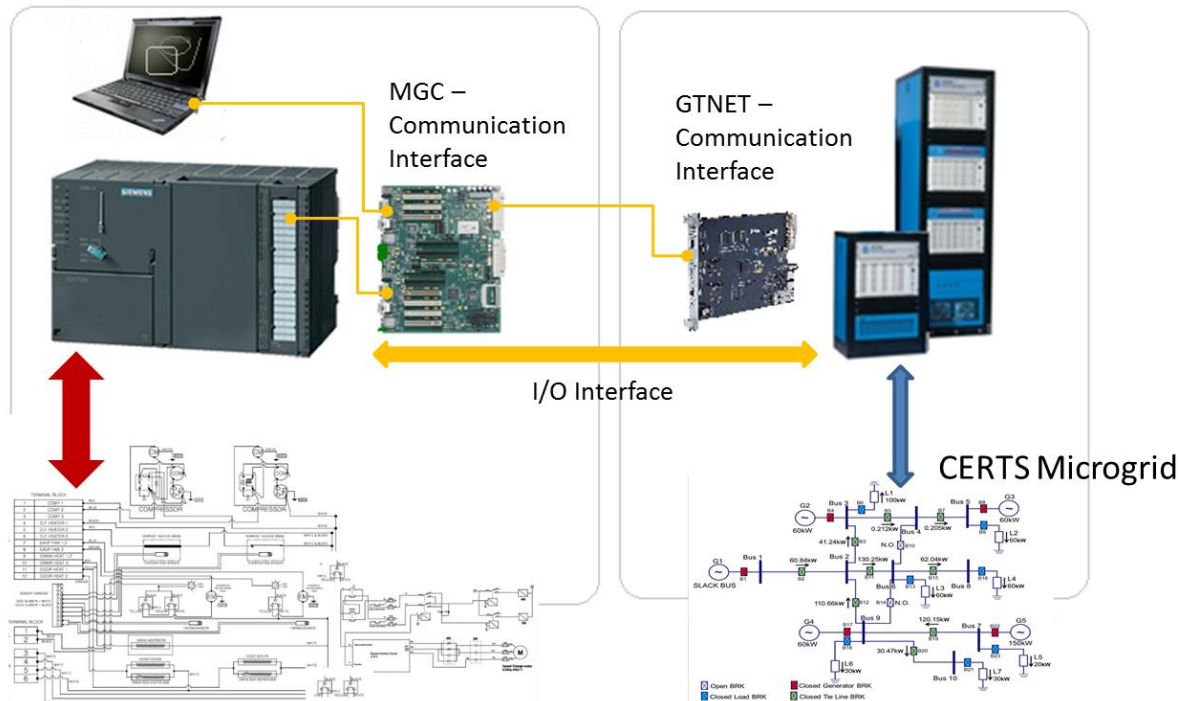
1. Grid connected
2. Black start transition
3. Off-grid operation
4. Resynchronization to PG&E network



# Rapid Development of Controller-Hardware-In-the-Loop Research, Development

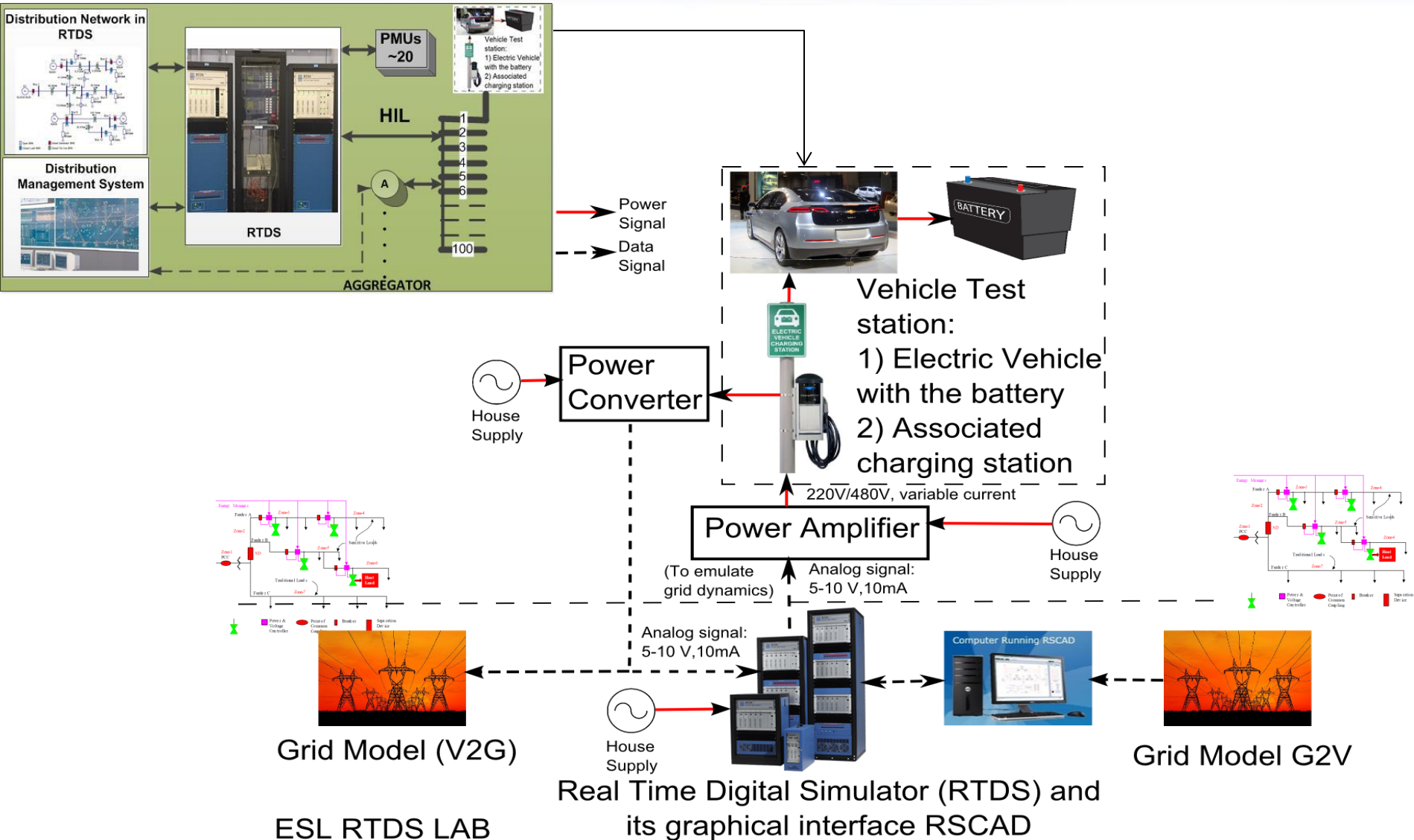
MGC – Hardware-In-the-Loop Environment

Real Time Digital Simulation Environment



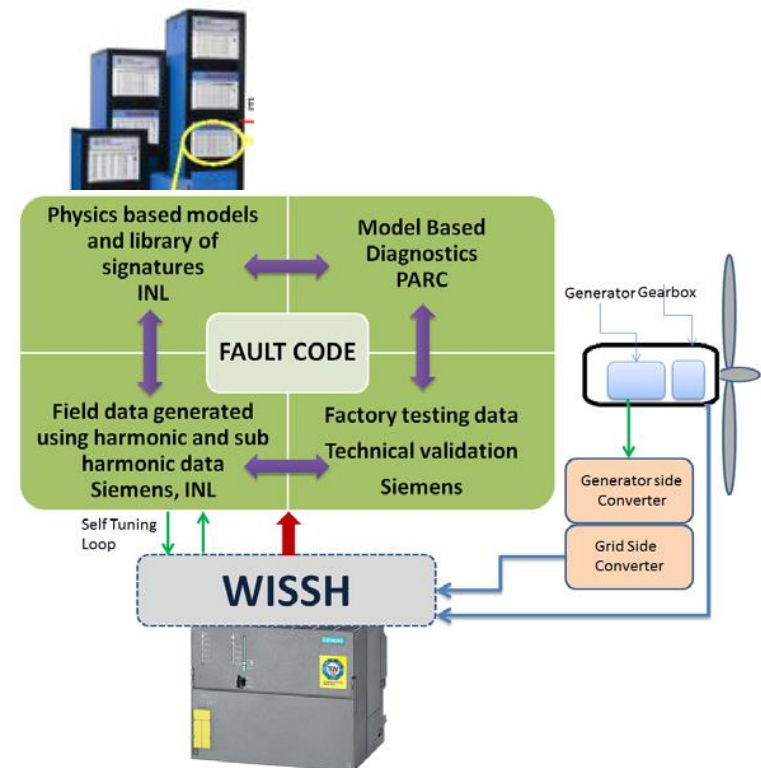
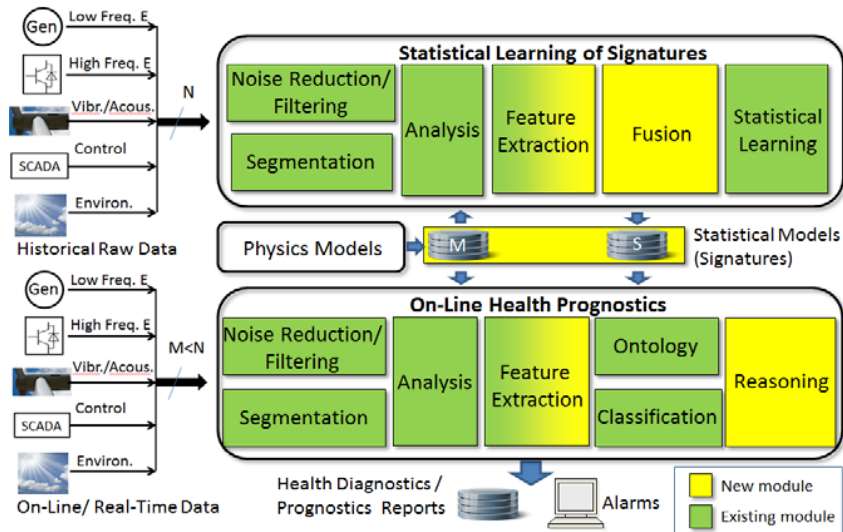


# At Scale Battery and Vehicle Charging station and Grid Integration with the Real Time digital Testing





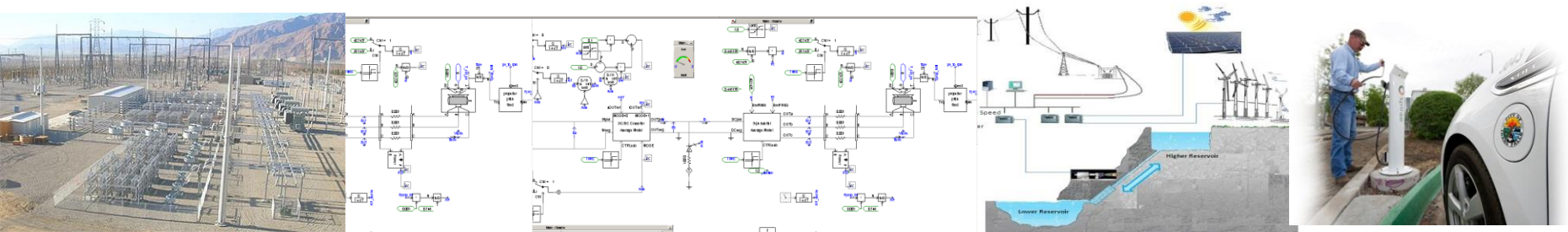
# Diagnosis and Prognostics Framework by Real-Time Fusion of Electrical, thermal and Mechanical Signals





# Key Research Questions

- How are ancillary service provided by variable generation
  - How can they contribute into grid reliability improvement and cost of energy reduction
- How smart grid technologies can be implemented and expanded in “Large Grid” applications
- How much renewable penetration can be supported by the existing infrastructure. Prediction of Electric Vehicle Penetration
  - What future upgrades and expansions are needed
- What modifications and improvements to grid regulations are needed to accommodate more EV and renewables
- What testing along with changes, modifications, and improvements are needed for various standards of inverter based generation to meet grid interconnection requirements
- Due to fossil fuel plants reductions causing rotational and thermal inertia losses, what value will Hybrid Storage could contribute to the power quality







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